

Notice of Availability

Draft Environmental Assessment

Pier 23 Replacement, Sediment Remediation, and Slag Removal

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Tacoma, Washington

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District, has prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, Sec. 102(C), concerning proposed actions at Pier 23, Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington. This document was prepared in assistance to the U.S. Army Reserve, 88th Regional Support Command (USAR), which is the lead agency for the project. The preferred alternative consists of replacement of an existing USAR pier structure, and cleanup of adjacent and underlying contaminated sediment and slag, located in Commencement Bay. Six hundred six feet of wooden pier and pilings would be replaced with concrete pilings and decking. Adjacent contaminated sediment would be removed and appropriate backfill would be applied. Contaminated shoreline slag accumulation would be removed.

The draft EA is available for comment for 30 days following the date of this notice. It may be viewed and downloaded from http://www.nws.usace.army.mil/ers/doc_table.cfm. Scroll down to "Commencement Bay, Pier 23 Repair" and select "Draft Environmental Assessment 2009." Please send comments, questions, or requests for additional information to:

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